

Madras Government, No. 1000
1st July 1871.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 17th June 1871, No. 2,452:—

From the Acting Collector of Ganjam, to the Acting Collector of Revenue, dated Nowpadah, 17th May 1871,

For the favourable consideration of the Board, copy of a letter received from the Acting Deputy Collector in charge of Salt Department, Ganjam, asking for sanction for the employment of nine gardeners to look after the trees near the different salt stations. I am now on a tour of inspection and have visited the salt stations at Itchapore, Nowpadah, and Calingapatam. The young trees are fairly promising, and their number might be much extended if the gardeners were retained constantly. I have been personally directing the attention of the Superintendents to this graceful offshoot from their more important work.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From the Acting Deputy Collector in charge of Salt Department, Ganjam, to the Collector of Ganjam, dated Nowpadah, 17th May 1871, No. 97.

I beg to forward, herewith, a statement showing the number of trees in the salt topes of the district.

2. At the close of 1869-70 there were altogether 15,068 trees in existence, of which 930 died during the year as shown in the margin:

.. Itchapore ...	...	...	...	...	328	but 51 of them have been replaced, and there
.. Nowpadah...	...	...	...	...	446	are at present 14,189 trees in the several topes
.. Womeravilly	...	...	...	...	113	at the four pans.
Total...					930	

3. At Nowpadah there are 47 pinus maritima plants surviving, but they are not thriving well. I believe the soil which is sandy and brackish is not suited for their growth; the casuarina and other trees are looking pretty healthy.

4. A sum of Rs. 4-5-0 has been realized by sale of cashewnut fruit at Nowpadah, and it will be credited to the head of "Imperial Revenues" in the accounts, agreeably to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 16th January 1871.

5. The Salt Superintendents attribute the destruction of the plants which have withered away to the unfavourableness of soil, high winds, and to the heavy rains which we had in October last.

6. I take this opportunity of bringing to your notice that the services of the gardeners of these topes are discontinued at the end of each official year, and they are not re-entertained until the sanction of Government is received for their wages for the following year. Some of the Superintendents manage to keep on a man in the meanwhile, promising to pay him as soon as money is available, and the best possible arrangements are made with the other establishment at the pans for the looking after of the younger plants; but they are, however, deprived of that care and attention of the gardeners which they stand much in need of during the hottest months in the year. I beg, therefore, respectfully to recommend that sanction may be obtained for the employment of nine gardeners, at Rs. 3 each per mensem for three successive years. I trust that by keeping up the establishment throughout the year hereafter the loss of plants would not be so great as it has been during the past years.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

ABSTRACT.—Copy of statement showing the number of trees existing at all the salt pans in the Ganjam District up to the end of the year 1870-71.

1st July 1871.

Submitted for the orders of Government with reference
No. 1,214, dated 10th August 1870.

2. The Board do not understand the necessity
so many years, and would recommend that salary
year only as before, subject to a more exact report
and the necessity for the full staff of gardeners being kept for so

No. 2.

ORDER THEREON, 1st July 1871, No. 1,139.

Miscellaneous.

SANCTIONED.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

D. F. CARMICHAEL,

Acting Secretary to Government.

G.O. 10 August 1871.

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Board of Revenue,

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PROCEEDINGS, 17TH JUNE 1871, No. 2,452.

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JUNE.

No. 2,452

No. 1139

Garden to look after trees near salt sta-
tions in Gajum District.—Application of Col-
lector for employment of certain, for three suc-
cessive years, submitted to Government, with
recommendation that sanction be granted for
current year only.

25th June 1871

1st July 71

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THE BOARD OF REVENUE

No. No.

Dated July 1st.

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G. O. 1st July 1871, No. 1, 1871

JULY.
Nos. 1-2.

Orders for tea and salt etc.
Seymour District. Their employment as
ordered by the Board of Revenue, cannot